

Application No. 10/607,212

Remarks

The final Office Action of February 28, 2005, has been carefully considered. This amendment is believed to place the application in condition for allowance, or at least to materially reduce and simplify the issues for appeal. Entry of this proposed amendment is, therefore, respectfully requested.

Since this amendment materially reduces the issues raised by the Examiner and is not directed to differently claimed subject matter, which would require a further search by the Examiner, it should be entered inasmuch as it places the application either in condition of allowance, or, in better condition for appeal.

Claims 1-12 are allowed.

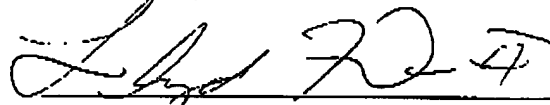
Claims 13-21 have been cancelled

No additional fee is believed to be required for this amendment. However, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney (or agent) hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025. This also constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and authorization to charge all fees therefor to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

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In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he is hereby directed to call Lloyd F. Bean, II, at Telephone Number 585-423-4520, Rochester, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lloyd F. Bean, II", written over a horizontal line.

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